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For : POROUS CALCIUM PHOSPHATE CERAMIC AND METHOD FOR
PRODUCING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 13, 2008, Applicants hereby submit a Request for Continued Examination of the above-identified application together with all requisite fees therefore. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response, to expire on June 13, 2008, this paper is filed concurrently with a Request for Three-Months Extension and required fee. If any additional fees are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendment of the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.